nagar, office Secretary and three workers representatives participated in the said conference as special invitees.

(d) Does not arise.

Academic and Professional Correspondence Courses

2240. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some universities and Boards are conducting different academic and professional courses through Correspondence;

(b) if so, what are the details of such Academic and Professional Courses, University-wise and Board-wise as on the 15th May, 1990;

(c) whether Government propose to ask these Boards and Universities to add some more courses during the current as well as next years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b) The details about the academic and professional courses being offered through Correspondence by 39 universities during 1989 90, based on the information furnished by UGC, are given in the attached statement [*See* Appendix CLIV, Annexure No. 105]. The details of courses being conducted by the various Boards are not available.

(c) and (d) The Universities are free to prescribe their own courses of study and it is for them to decide about starting new courses.

Vocational Courses in Kendriya Vidyalayas in Delhi

2241. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some vocational courses are being taught in some Kendriya Vidyalayas in Delhi;

(b) if so, what are the details of these courses, Vidyalaya-wise, as on the 15th May, 1990.

(c) whether Government propose to ask the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan to add some more such courses in these Vidyalayas during the current and as well as the next years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No such proposal is under consideration as at present.

(d) Does not arise.

Demonstration of Animals before Prime Minister's residence

2242. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the MINITSER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some demonstration of anlmals was held before Prime Minister's residence on the 15th May, 1990 for release of "Munna" bear;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this demonstration was to let the animals of wild life

with their human-friends and also to save the owners of "Munna" from starvation;

(d) if so, whether Government have taken any steps in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (c) Few animals performers and other persons organised a demonstration near the Prime Minister's residence on 15th May, 1990. They also took with them some monkeys and bears. The demonstrators were demanding release of "Munna" the male sloth bear that was seized by the wildlife authorities of Delhi from a "madari" named Nasir Khan on 1st May, 1990. The argument put forth by the demonstrators for their demand was that "Munna" was the only source of livelihood of Shri Nasir Khan.

(d) and (e) The sloth bear was being kept by Shri Nasir Khan in violation of Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 and as such is the property of the Government as per Section 39 of the Act. According to the provisions of the said act the bear can not be returned to Shri Nasir Khan.

2243. [*Transferred to the 24th May*, 1990]

Signing of MOU by Public Sector Undertakings with Government

2244. SH.RI RAMDAS AGARWAL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of Public Sector Undertakings which have so far signed Memorandum of Understanding with Government till date;

(b) what are the names of Public Sector Undertakings which are covered in the MOU system;

(c) whether Government are satisfied with performance of such PSUs which have not so far signed MOU; and

(d) what action Government propose to take against such Public Sector Undertakings which ignore rules on price tag and whether any such case has been brought to Government's notice recently?

THE MINISTER OF STATE *IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING* AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN): (a) and (b) Eighteen PSEs viz., Air India, Bharat Electronics Ltd., Bharat Earth Movers Ltd., Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd., Bharat Yantra Nigam Ltd., Coal India Ltd., Heavy Engineering Corpn. Ltd., HMT Ltd., Indian Airlines, Indian Petrochemicals Corpn. Ltd., Maruti Udyog Ltd., National Thermal Power Corpn. Oil & Natural Gas Comm., Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilisers Ltd., Steel Authority of India Ltd., Minerals & Metals Trading Corpn., State Trading Corpn. & Indian Oil Corpn. have signed MOU with the Govt. for the year 1989-90. Eleven more PSEs viz., Shipping Corpn. of India, Hindustan Copper Ltd., Bharat Bhari Udyog Nigam Ltd., Neyveli Lignite Corpn., Bharat Petroleum Corpn., Cement Corpn. of India, Delhi Transport Corpn., Gas Authority of India Ltd., Madras Refineries Ltd., Indian Telephone Industries, National Hydro-electric Power Corpn. will be signing MOU for the year 1990-91.

(c) The performance of Central Public Sector Undertakings including those which signed MOUs have improved considerably during the year 1988-89; the overall pro-